Vonaventure Memorial Forest and Wildlife Area is located in Lincoln County, 1 mile north of Silex on Route UU. This area was donated by Henry von Phul Thomas in 1971 to perpetuate the forest on the 203-acre area.

## **Recreational Opportunities**

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting Picnicking – Wildlife Viewing – Outdoor Photography

Conservation Areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized fishing and hunting activities.

- No littering.
- No fireworks.
- No camping permitted.
- No open fires except in designated areas.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for training or hunting.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited. Taking of wild greens from natural areas is not allowed.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to roadways and parking areas.
- Bicycling is not allowed.
- Swimming and scuba diving are not allowed.

## Fishing and Boating

Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

• No live bait may be captured on area lakes and ponds, except that gizzard shad may be taken from lakes and ponds by dip net or throw net.

## **Hunting and Trapping**

Hunting is allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and limits except: only archery methods may be used. Deer hunting with firearms is prohibited.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address or conservation number of the

owner and be removed from the area before February 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.

- Furbearer trapping is permitted by special-use permit.
- Firearms firing single projectiles prohibited.

#### For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation 2360 Hwy D St. Charles, MO 63304 636/441-4554

Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

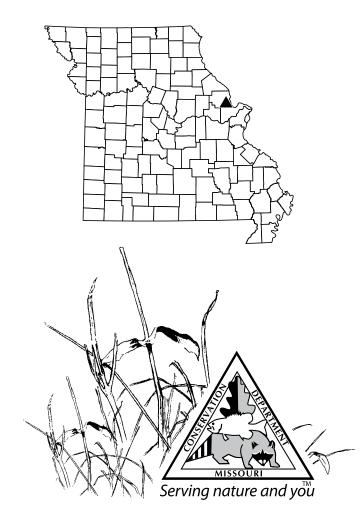


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Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, colon, national origin, sex. age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (wice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stogy MSSP 4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

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